

Remarks

This is in response to the Examiner's action mailed October 8, 2003. In that action the Examiner allowed claims 1 through 17 and 19 and rejected claim 20. The applicants have cancelled claim 20.

The Examiner has rejected claim 20 under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as relying on new matter. The applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner that this claim relies on new matter. All of the limitations of claim 20 were included in claim 18 as originally filed and described in 5 through 9 of the application as filed. Clearly this description would have been sufficient for one of ordinary skill in the art to make or use the invention on the date of filing. However, to advance the prosecution of this application, the applicants have cancelled claim 20.

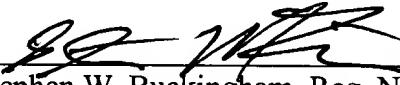
The applicants respectfully request that the Examiner now allow all claims currently pending.

Respectfully submitted,

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